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1980 Convention

The Silver Anniversary Convention of the Nebraska Numismatic Association was held in conjunction with the Central States Numismatic Societies 41st anniversary show and convention in Lincoln, Nebraska on April 17-20, 1980. Judging from all responses, the show was a huge success. Two hundred and six of the countries top coin dealers set up shop in Pershing Municipal Auditorium. The highlight of the bourse was no doubt the sale of the 1804 silver dollar. Trenton, New Jersey coin dealer Sam Colavita bought the Garrett specimen of the 1804 dollar from Bill Pullen of Pullen & Hanks, Inc. for more than $400,000 but less than half a million on the first day of the show.

The exhibit judges needed more than eight hours to decide who should receive the thirty-one silver bowls given for the best exhibits in the various catagories. While at the business meeting of the N.N.A. the charter members received silver cups for their twenty-five years of membership. A silver anniversary cake with real coins on it was also served with desert at the beautiful banquet that was attended by over three hundred people.

Other highlights of the convention were the educational forums that featured Leonard M. Owen on the Byron Reed collection; Thomas P. McKenna on ancient counterfeits; And William F. Spengler on East Indian history and coins. Some of the other groups who held meetings in conjunction with the show were, The Professional Numismatic Guild, Inc., The International Bank Note Society, The Society of Paper Money Collectors, and The Nebraska Ancient Coin Club.

The show was very profitable for the Nebraska Numismatic Association, as the total profits were split fifty-fifty between the N.N.A. and the C.S.N.S. Our share of $4,943.85 was turned over to the N.N.A. Secretary-Treasurer on February 25, 1981. A five year $5,000 C. D. was purched with this money to give the N.N.A. an annual income of $612.50. This amount is about what our annual budget usually is. As most of our members have paid their dues for five years, our income from dues will be almost nothing for this period. Thus the income from the C. D. will be needed for club expenses. The Board of Governors has planed to keep the principle intact and only use the intrest for club expenses.

Newsletter Delay

The delay in the issuing of the Newsletter has been caused by the Editor-in-Chief James L. McKee's new business enterprises. Jim opened two new book stores in Lincoln recently. J & L Lee Booksellers are located in East Park Plaza and in Edgewood Mannor. Good luck Jim.

1981 Convention

This years convention, the 26th, will be held April 25-26, 1981 at the Scottsbluff Inn in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. We will have 25 bourse tables and a good number of exhibits as well as other programs for your pleasure. The Saturday night Awards Banquet will be only $8.00. Get your exhibits ready now for the 25 exhibit awards that will be given out.

The Ogallala Coin Club has already extended an invitation to hold the 1983 N.N.A. Convention in the Holiday Inn at Ogallala, Nebraska. If anyother coin club or clubs would like to host the annual convention of the N.N.A. please contact your Secretary-Treasurer Robert R. Kutcher, 4211 Locust St. Lincoln, Nebraska 68516.

1981 Election

Enclosed, for paid up members, is the 1981 ballot. Please vote for your choices and return the ballot to the secretary-treasurer Bob Kutcher either by mail or at the convention before the business meeting on Saturday April 25th. Also, keep in mind who you might like to see as officers of your N.N.A. in the future. If you do not receive a ballot, your dues are in ar rears. Dues are $2.00 per year or $5.00 for five years. Life membership is only $35.00, a real bargain in these days of high prices.

See you in Scottsbluff April 25-26. Your secretary-treasurer, Robert R. Kutcher.

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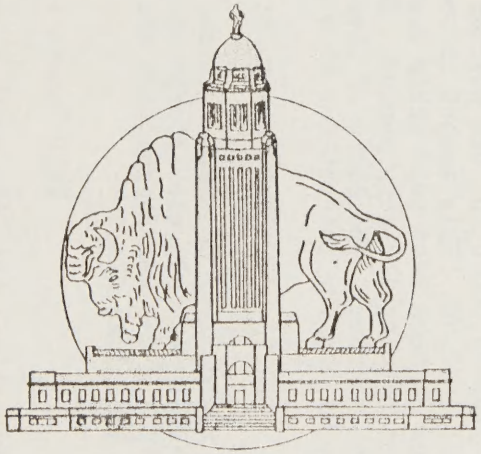

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